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Tahsildar, Kurumbranad, has formed a committee of seven local ryots for the above purpose. But, the Government have since ordered that the entire responsibility of future regulation and maintenance of the dam will rest with the Public Works Department in the interests of the efficient working of the dam, as the committee may not be equal to the task.

* 3163 *Q.*—SRI M. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there is any proposal under the consideration of the Government to construct a dam across the Chandragiri river at Moonam Kadavu in Kasargod taluk, South Kanara district;

(*b*) if so, the present stage of the proposal; and

(*c*) when the scheme is likely to be started?

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI : (*a*) No. The scheme was previously considered by the Government and ordered to be removed from the Grow More Food Programme for 1949–50, as it was found to be uneconomical from the food production point of view.

(*b*) & (*c*) Do not arise.

Scheduled Tribes in Attapady

* 3164 *Q.*—SRI K. C. GOPALAN UNNI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state whether there is any proposal to ameliorate the conditions of Scheduled Tribes of Attapady?

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN : Yes, Sir. A note [a] indicating the position is placed on the table of the House.

SRI K. C. GOPALAN UNNI : The main problem of the Irulars of Attapady is the problem of land. From the paper laid on the table, it looks as if the Government do not seem to have taken note of it. Will the Government see that sufficient lands are provided for cultivation by Irulars who are now being evicted by persons who take thousands of acres on lease from the landlords?

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN : A preliminary survey has to be made. Revenue staff has been sanctioned and they will look into the matter.

SRI K. KUNHI MOHAMED SHAFEE : The Government sanctioned the employment of a preliminary survey staff and special revenue staff in June 1955. May I know whether the staff has actually been appointed and whether the Government have got any progress report on the work done so far?

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN : The special staff has already been appointed. We expect a report from them.

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SRI O. KORAN : Has the present Chief Secretary to Government, Mr. W. R. S. Sathianathan, submitted any report to the Government after his visit to the area as a Member of the Board of Revenue and, if the answer to this is in the affirmative, what action have the Government taken on it?

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN : As a Member of the Board in charge of this work, he submitted a report in the usual course and only on the basis of that report the Government sanctioned the staff.

Study of Indian Wild Life in schools

* 3165 *Q.*—SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR (on behalf of Sri V. R. Krishna Ayyar) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance and Education be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have taken any steps to include lessons on Indian Wild Life in the curricula of the school studies; and

(*b*) whether the Government have taken any steps to facilitate and encourage visits by students to forests and observing Wild Life?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : (*a*) & (*b*) Yes, Sir.

Large-scale industries

* 3166 *Q.*—SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Madras Government have recommended to the Centre the establishment of large-scale industries in the Tirunelveli district;

(*b*) if so, the scope of those industries; and

(*c*) the names of the sponsors of such industries recommended to the Government of India for licences?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (*a*) to (*c*) On the recommendation of this Government the Government of India have granted licences under the Industries (Development and Regulation) Act, 1951 for the establishment of large-scale industries in the Tirunelveli district as indicated below :—

(i) *Establishment of new industrial undertakings.*

	Name of the concern. (1)	Article to be produced. (2)	Capacity of the undertaking. (3)
1	South India Co-perative Spinning Mills, Limited.	Cotton yarn.	16,000 spindles.
2	Nellai Cotton Mills (Tirunelveli).	,,	10,000 ,,
3	Ramalinga Mills (Melacheval).	,,	6,000 ,,